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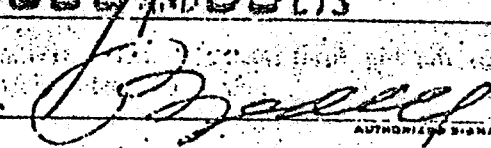
The King-USSR Connection

How the Soviets Funded American Communists

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On Feb. 6, 1980, the House Intelligence Committee heard testimony from John McMahon, then the deputy director for operations for the Central Intelligence Agency. McMahon, one of the most experienced and highly regarded CIA officials, was describing to the Committee how the Soviet Union carried out their covert action which they call "active measures" against the free world. These are the Soviet operations to influence events in the

Actually, I already knew a great deal about this Soviet operation in our country. As the ranking minority member of the House Committee on Un-American Activities and later the Internal Security Committee, I was able to trace the Soviet subsidies for U.S. Communist party publications from the Soviet Bank for Foreign Trade through a Paris bank owned by the Soviet Union to the Chase Manhattan Bank and into the coffers of the Communist Party, U.S.A. The Paris bank, Banque Commerciale Pour L'Europe Du Nord, is often

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target countries. They include forgeries, media placement, agents of influence, and funding of Communist and subversive groups.

McMahon described how the Soviets channeled \$50 million a year to the Communist parties of the free world. I asked him how much of that comes into it

used to launder Soviet funds to Communist and terrorist groups in the free world.

I also knew something even more startling. Herb Romerstein, a House Intelligence Committee staffer who pays close attention to these matters, had briefed me on a top-secret FBI penetration of the